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(C) On August 22, Government of Sri Lanka (GSL) Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) Additional Secretary Geetha de Silva briefed Charge' on Sri Lankan embassies' demarches to host governments on LTTE financing and weapons procurement contacts groups. GSL missions briefed host nations of Canada, UK, Italy, France, Australia, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and India, emphasizing the importance Sri Lanka places on the initiative. The MFA reported positive responses from all. De Silva said that Canada is particularly enthusiastic. Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Australia, and Japan reportedly had no knowledge of a formal approach by the U.S., although Japan welcomed the initiative, particularly on the financial side. De Silva told us that the GSL remains enthusiastic about the contact groups and appreciates this U.S. initiative.
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